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Sir:

In response to the Notice of Allowability for above-referenced matter, Applicants note with appreciation the indication that claims 1-19 are allowed.

It is further noted that the Notice of Allowability includes a statement of "Reasons for Allowance". The Reasons for Allowance includes certain language which is not included in all of the allowed claims. For example, the Reasons for Allowance refers to "adjusting the wavelength of the laser beam to the target wavelength when the compensated wavelength differs from the target wavelength". It is respectfully submitted that not all of the allowed independent claims recite this operation. Thus, it is respectfully submitted that each of the individual claims should be interpreted according to the specific language recited in each of the respective claims,

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and that all the elements recited in the Examiner's Reasons for Allowance should not be read into all the allowed claims.

Respectfully submitted,

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